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APPROVAL OF UNDP ASSISTANCE TO A PROJECT OF THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

Modern Hydrographic Survey Training (IND/80/025)

Report of the Administrator*

Date of present approval:	June 1980
Starting date of project activities:	September 1980 (planned)
Planned completion date:	August 1982
To be executed by:	Intergovernmental Maritime Consultative Organization (IMCO)
Government implementing agency:	Hydrographic Department (Government of India)
Estimated cost of assistance planned under present approval:	* 3 466 600
Source of UNDP financing:	Indicative Planning Figure (IPF)

I. Background

1. The Hydrographic Department of the Government of India is responsible for undertaking hydrographic surveys of Indian waters and provides essential information for the safety of navigation at sea, the development and construction of ports and harbours, the exploration and exploitation of marine resources, and communication and other activities connected with national economic development. To obtain this information, the Hydrographic Department operates surveying ships which are equipped with modern surveying equipment and instruments. It is required that these ships be manned by qualified hydrographic surveyors and surveying recorders.

*In accordance with General Assembly resolution 2622 (XXV) and subsequent authorizations of the UNDP Governing Council, reports are issued seriatim on the approval of UNDP assistance of \$250,000 or more (including, if any, assistance financed by Government or by third-party cost sharing).

2. In order to provide the expertise needed to conduct the surveys effectively, a Hydrographic School has been established in Goa. The school, however, is not equipped with the complete range of modern surveying equipment and instruments which are essential to train the hydrographic surveyors at the required levels of competence. The Government of India, therefore, has requested UNDP assistance in providing equipment as well as the training and expertise necessary to that training.

II. Objectives and activities

3. The immediate objective of the project is to create training facilities for hydrographic surveyors at the Hydrographic School, Goa, which are commensurate with international standards of hydrography and thereby to help develop the cadre of expert hydrographic surveyors which will conduct the hydrographic surveys needed for purposes of navigational safety in Indian waters, the development of ports and harbours, the improvement of navigable depths in channels by dredging, and the reclamation of land from the sea, etc.

III. Inputs

4. UNDP will provide, through the Executing Agency, necessary equipment, short term consultants, study tours and fellowships.

5. The Government will provide qualified professional and support staff, physical facilities and equipment, including motor surveying boats and motor transport and surveying instruments.

IV. Financial data

6. The expenditure components of the planned assistance are as follows:

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Personnel	150 000
Training	42 000
Equipment	3 216 600
Miscellaneous	58 000
	3 466 600

7. The estimated total value, expressed in US dollars, of the inputs provided directly by the Government to the project is 32 million in kind.

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